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Foreword

Remember? . . . Popcorn at lunch time . . . Shivering in the hall while the auditorium was being renovated . . . "Litter-bug" stickers . . . Saturday nights at the Rec . . . "The Friendly Five" . . . Fifth period devotions . . .

With sincere hopes that this volume will serve as a lasting reminder in years to come of our High School days, some happy, some not so happy, we, the staff of the 1955 Cat's Tale proudly present this year's annual.



Dedication

To Mr. Maston S. Parham, Superintendent and Friend:
... for time unselfishly dedicated to school and community improvement,
... for nobility of character,
... for accomplishments of mind and spirit,
the Senior Class of '55 with sincere appreciation for all that has been done for us, dedicate this volume of the Cat's Tale.





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Of M. H. S.





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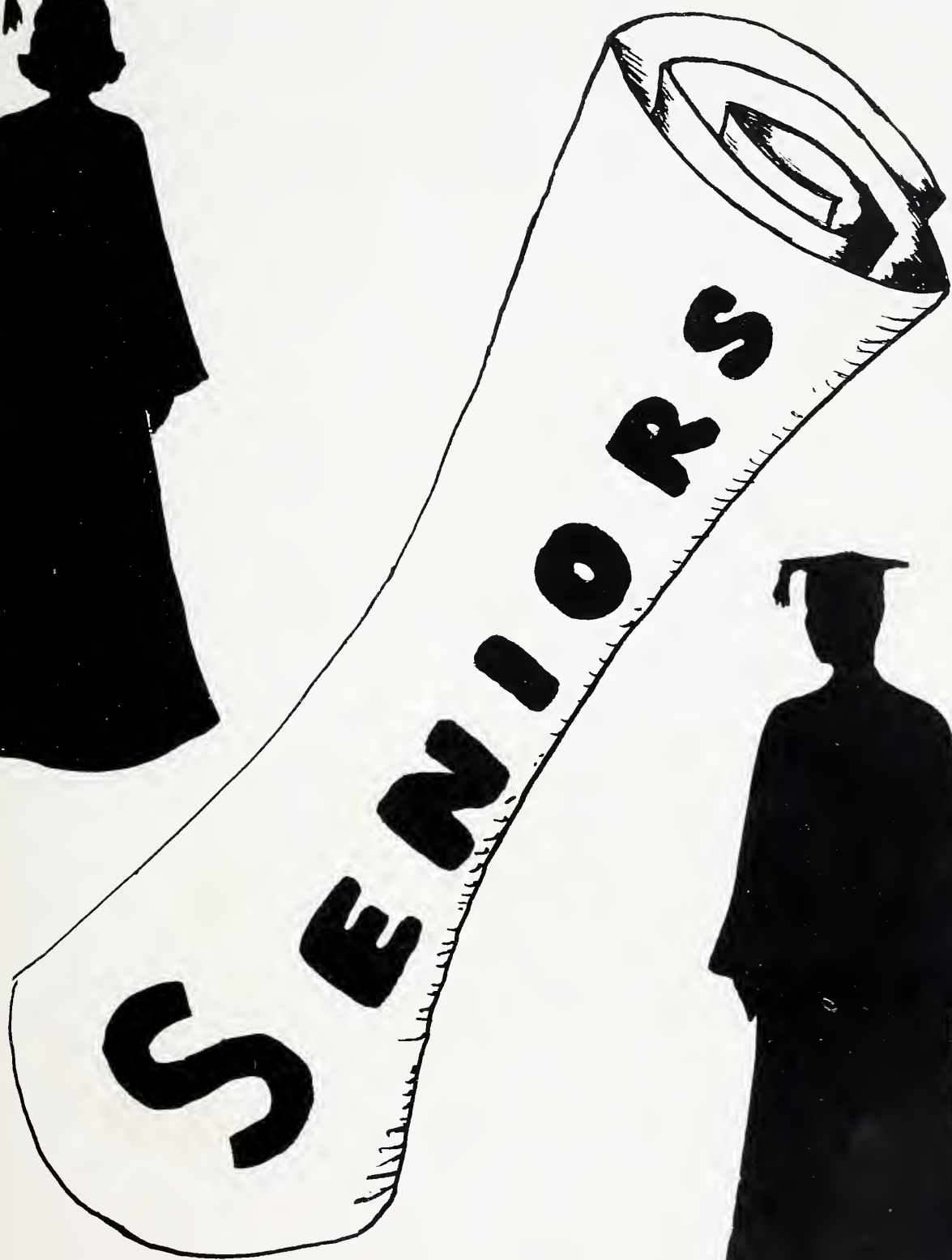
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Seniors



CAROLYN JEAN ABEE

"I would be adorned with a good disposition . . ." Brown

Folk Dancing Club I, Bible Club I, F. H. A. Club I, Cauldron Staff I, Library Science Club IV; Vice-Pres. IV, Anchor Club I, II, III, IV



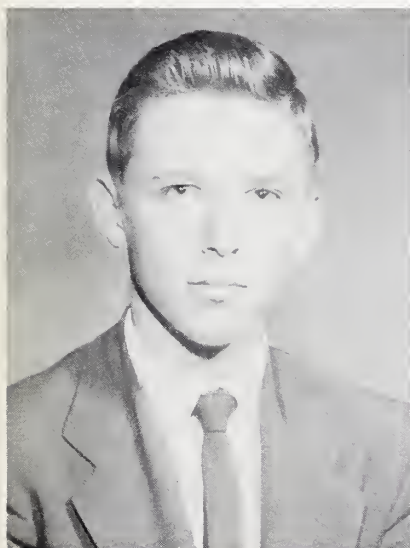
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"With this ring I thee wed . . ." Evelyn
Folk Dancing Club I, Bible Club II, Marshall III



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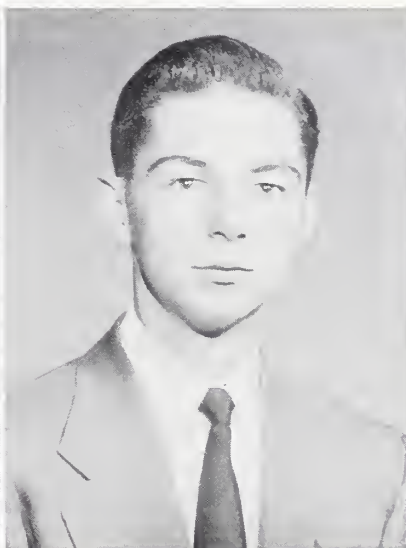
"A good mind possesses a good kingdom . . ." Thyestes
Bridge Club I, Bus Driver IV, Senior Superlative—Most Intellectual IV



ZBIGNIEW ALEXANDER ANTHONY BARANSKI

"From distant climes o'er wide-spread seas he came to bring us joy . . ." Barrington

Glee Club I, II, Latin Club IV, Superlative—Most Deserving IV



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"Wit makes it own welcome, and levels all distinctions . . ." Emerson
Spanish Club IV, Wildlife Club II, Senior Superlative—Wittiest IV



RUTHVEN BEACH

"Men of few words are the best men . . ." Shakespeare
Film and Camera Club I

Seniors



JOSEPH STANLEY BENFIELD

"He is a gentleman because his nature is kind and affable to every creature." Barnfull

Baseball I, II, Wildlife Club I, Hi-Y III, IV; Pres. IV, Chorus III, IV



ELIZA CHEESEBOROUGH BOGGS

"There is no substitute for talent. Industry and all the virtues are of no avail . . ." Ibid

Bridge Club I, Anchor Club II, III, IV, F. H. A. Club III, IV, Annual Staff III, IV, Art Editor IV, Latin Club IV



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"Here is a dear and true industrious friend . . ." Shakespeare

Class Treasurer II, Youth Club II, Marshall III, Chorus III, F. H. A. III, IV, Honor Society IV, Latin Club IV



MARILYN FAYE BRENDLE

"Modesty is the grace of the soul . . ." Brown

F. H. A. II, III, IV, Library IV



NANA CAROLYN BRIDGERS

"Manner, not gold is woman's best adornment . . ." Unknown

Folk Dancing Club I, Student Council II



VIRGINIA LORENE BRIDGES

"I love tranquil solitude and such society as is quiet, wise and good . . ." Shelley

Glee Club I, F. H. A. II, Spanish Club IV

Seniors



REBA YVONNE BRITTAIN

"There's nothing so kingly as kindness . . ." Carey
Folk Dancing Club I, Library Club IV



DOROTHY ELAINE BURLESON

"Let thy pure and lovely light forever shine . . ." Bellini
Folk Dancing Club I, Cauldron Staff III, Girls' State Representative III, Honor Society III, IV, President IV, Tri-Hi-Y IV, Senior Superlative—Most Intellectual IV, Class Historian IV, Home-Coming Sponsor (Honor Society) IV



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"Patience and Gentleness is power . . ." Hunt
Bible Club II



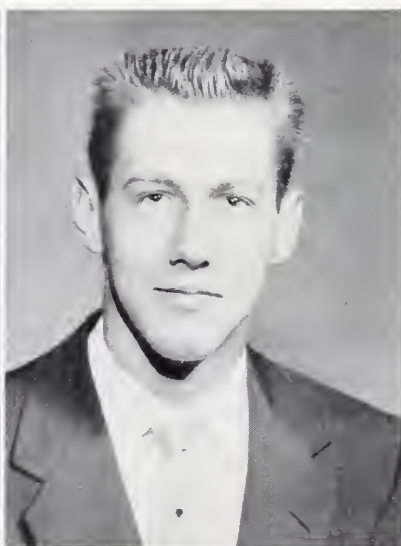
CHARLES ADEN BUTLER, JR.

"Variety alone gives joy . . ." Prior
Key Club I, II, III, IV, Football I, II, III, IV, Co-Captain IV, Student Council I, II, III, Vice-Pres. III, Pres. IV, Baseball II, IV, Class President III, Senior Superlative—Most Popular IV, Varsity-M Club IV



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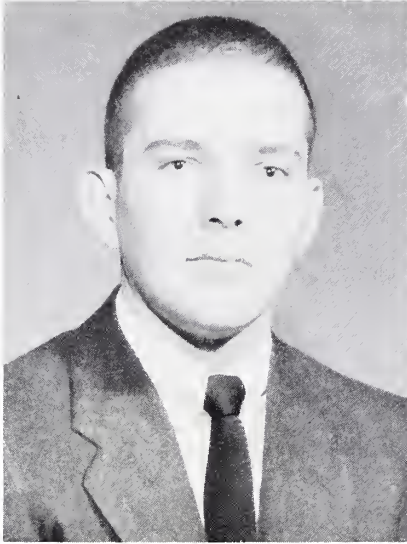
"Mischief's a part of him . . ." Shelly
Bozo Club I, Wildlife Club I, II, Key Club I, II, III, IV, Bible Club II, Senior Superlative—Friendliest IV



JAMES HERBERT CAUSBY

"What d'ye think of that, my Cat . . .?" Hood
Radio Club I, Basketball I, II, III, Chorus II, IV, Hi-Y Club III, IV, Cheerleader III, IV, Superlative—Best Looking IV

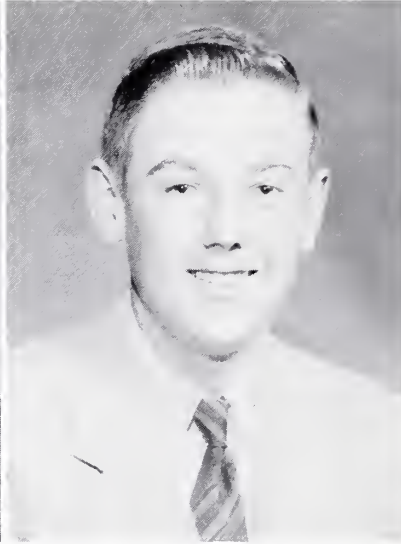
Seniors



ROBERT EDWARD CLARKE

"Virtue is the truest nobility . . ." Cervantes

Band I, Football II, III, IV, Marshall III, Track II, III, Key Club II, III, IV, Secretary IV, Varsity-M Club IV, Class Vice-President IV



WAYNE CECIL CLINE

"He that hath knowledge spareth his words . . ." Proverbs

Film and Camera Club I, Marshall III



RUTH CAGLE CLONTZ

"On one she smiled, and he was blest . . ." Arnold

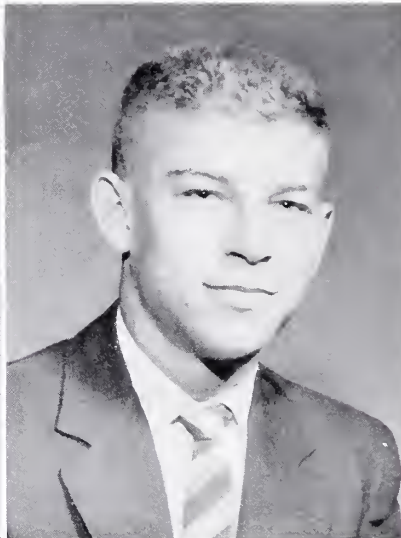
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"Esteem and value nothing so much in this world as a real friend . . ." Pilpay

Arts and Crafts Club I, Bible Club I



JEROME EDWARD COHEN

"True worth is in being, not seeming . . ." Carey

Radio Club I, II, Key Club I, II, III, IV, Vice-Pres. III, Pres. IV



HOWARD WAYNE COPENHAVER, JR.

"Virtue is bold, and goodness never fearful . . ." Shakespeare, Radio Club I, II, Band I, II, III, IV, Pres. IV, Marshall III, Chief, Hi-Y III, IV, Treas. IV, Senior Superlative—Most Talented IV, Honor Society IV, All-State Band Clinic II, W. N. C. Band Clinic I, II, III, State Ensemble Contest I, III

Seniors



ROBERT EARL CREW, JR.

"Thou art a Conqueror and a Victor..."

—Carlyle

Raleigh High School I; Football II, III, IV; Baseball II, III, IV; Basketball II, III, IV; Golf IV; Cauldron Staff IV; Chorus III, IV; Key Club II, III, IV; Varsity—M Club IV; Senior Superlative—Most Versatile IV.



BARBARA ANN DAVIS

"One who is so sweet and dear..."

—Watson

Folk Dancing Club I; Chorus I. II.



MICKEY DOLORES DENTON

"Grace was in all her steps, heaven in her eye, in every gesture dignity and love..."—Millon



PATRICIA DE LOIS EARLEY

"She that loves and laughs must sure do well..."—Pope

Band I, II, III, IV; Anchor Club II, III, IV; Homecoming Sponsor (Band) IV; Senior Superlative—Most Talented IV; F.H.A. Club II, III, IV; Treas. III.



FRANK OSCAR EDWARDS

"Endurance is the crowning quality and patience all the passion of great hearts..."—Lowell

Bible Club I. II; Chorus I. II.



HARRIETT EDWINA ELLIOTT

"She doeth little kindnesses which most leave undone or despise..."—Lowell
Marshall III; Library Club IV; Honor Society IV; Senior Superlative—Most Deserving IV.



MOST DESERVING
Harriett Elliott
Alex Baranski

NEATEST
Christine Setzer
J. L. Hughes

MOST ATHLETIC
Nancy Van Dyke
Freddie Scott



BEST LOOKING
Ruth C. Clontz
James Causby

MOST INTELLECTUAL
Flaine Burleson
Bry Anderson

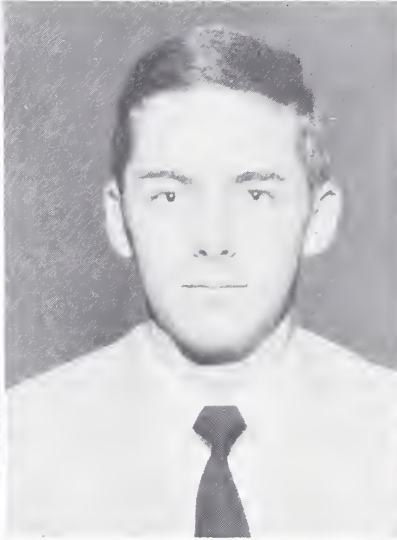
FRIENDLIEST
Marinetta Harris
Bobby Causby

Seniors



CAROLYN PAGE ERWIN

"Very dear and very small, always kind and sweet to all..."—Dickens
Student Council I; F.H.A. I, II, III, IV, Vice-Pres. II, Pres. III; Softball II, III; Class Treasurer III, IV; Honor Society III, IV, Sec. IV; Homecoming Sponsor (F.H.A.) III, (Cheerleader) IV; Tri-Hi-Y IV; Cheerleader IV.



WILLIAM CASPER FARNER

"Whatsoever a man soweth, that also shall he reap." — Eliot
Camera Club I; Marshall III; P. A. System, Football III, IV; Hi-Y III, IV, Sec. IV; Honor Society IV; Senior Superlative—Most Valuable IV; High School Sports for News-Herald III, IV; Annual Staff III, IV, Business Manager IV.



MARTHA ANN GRADY

"Not much talk—a great, sweet silence..."—James
Lexington High School, I, II.



MARY ELIZABETH HAHN

"As merry as the day is long..."
—Shakespeare

Philadelphia I; Basketball Manager II, III; Softball II, III; Dramatics Club III; Spanish Club IV, Sec. IV; Homecoming Sponsor (Spanish Club) IV; Tri-Hi-Y III, IV.



ERWIN ODELL HALLYBURTON

"The greater man the greater courtesy..." Ibid
Radio Club I



RUTH ELEANOR HARPER

"Rare is the union of beauty and purity..."—Juvenal
Folk Dancing Club I; Band I, II, III; Class Secretary III; Tri-Hi-Y III, IV, Vice-Pres. III, Pres. IV; Homecoming Sponsor (Key Club) IV; F.H.A. III.

Seniors



MARINETTA HARRIS

"Life is fortified by many friendships..."—Smith

Radio Club I; Bible Club II; Student Council II; Basketball I. II. III. IV; Anchor Club II. III. IV; Treas. II, Vice-Pres. III. Pres. IV; Cheerleader III, IV; Tri-Hi-Y III, IV; Senior Superlative—Friendliest IV; Homecoming Sponsor (Anchor Club) IV.



PAUL JULIAN HATEM, JR.

"Traveling is no fool's errand..."
Alcott

Hi-Y III, IV; Bridge Club I, Track Team III.



NANCY GAIL HONEYCUTT

"She has a soft and pensive grace..."
—Scott

F.H.A. II; Folk Dancing Club I.



JUNIOR LEWIS HUGHES

"Neat, not gaudy, Knowe'st me not by my clothes..."—Lamb

Dance Club I; Bridge Club I; Camera Club II; Glee Club II; Senior Superlative—Neatest IV.



SYLVIA ANN INGLE

"Gentle of speech, beneficent of mind..."—Homer

Folk Dancing Club I; Chorus I, II, III.



WILMA MARIE KELLER

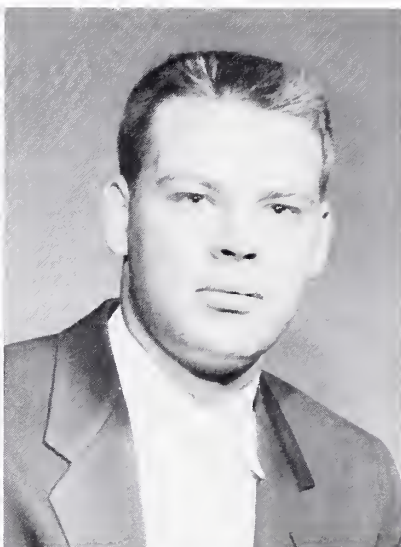
"Not much talk—a great, sweet silence..."—James

Folk Dancing Club I.

Seniors



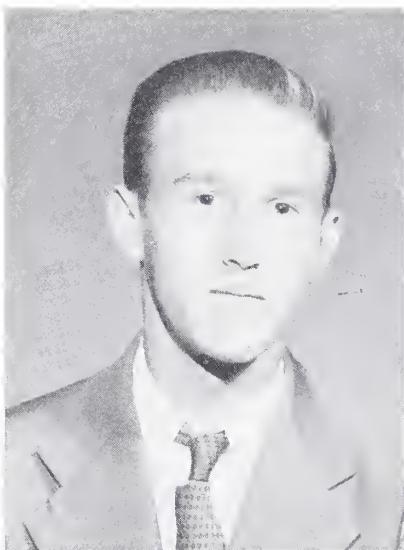
MARGARET ANN KRAL
 "As Good as gold..."—Dickens
 Bible Club I; Spanish Club IV.



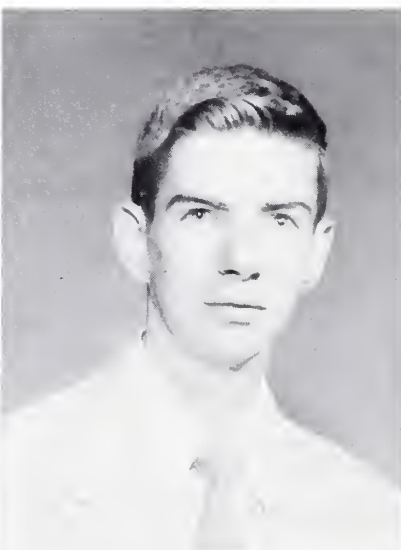
ROLAND AGUSTA LAMBERT
 "Silence is more eloquent than words..."—Carlyle
 Camera Club I.



FLOYD LEE LANE
 "A friend is never known till a man have need..."—Heywood
 Baseball II, III; D. O. IV.



JERRY ANDERSON McCALL
 "Speech is great, but silence is greater..."—Carlyle
 Hi-Y IV; Wild-life Club I.

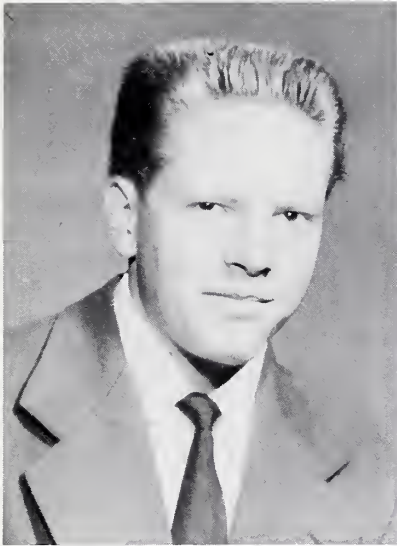


ALBERT HERR MAXWELL, JR.
 "In action faithful and in honor clean..."—Pope
 Band I, II, III, IV; Senior Superlative
 —Most Likely to Succeed IV.



HARRY HERMAN MULL
 "There are moments when silence prolonged and unbroken, more expressive may be than all words ever spoken..."

Seniors



PETER WARLICK PATTON, III
 "Sir, I would rather be right than be President..."—Clay
 Wildlife Club I, II; Key Club I, II, III, IV; Golf I, II, IV; Annual Staff III, IV.



CLARA HELEN PLESS
 "With malice toward none with charity for all..."—Anne Rutledge
 Homecoming Sponsor (Homeroom Representatives) IV.



MARJORIE JEAN POARCH
 "In her modest answer and graceful air, Show her wise and good as she is fair..."—Muller
 Happy Valley High I, II, III.



ROXIE MAXINE POWELL
 "Of manners gentle, of affections mild..."—Pope
 Oak Hill High I, II.



MARGARET IRENE PRICE
 "In the deep blue of her eyes is reflected her sincerity and love..."
 —Whitman
 Wildlife Club I; Bible Club I; Tri-Hi-Y IV.



NANCY JUNE PRITCHARD
 "The mildest manner and the gentlest heart..."—Homer



WITTIEST

Nancy H. Shepherd
Dan Burkley

MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED

Grace Winchester
Al Maxwell

MOST VERSATILE

Linda Smith
Bob Crew



MOST POPULAR
Jane Smith
Charlie Butler

MOST VALUABLE
Mary Walton
Bill Farner

MOST TALENTED
Pat Earley
Howard Copenhaver

Seniors



MARTHA ANN PROBST

"Born for success, she seems with grace
to win, with heart to hold..."

—Emerson

Youth Club I, II; Radio Club I, II;
Basketball I, III, IV; Anchor Club II,
III, IV; Class Vice-Pres. II; Class
Prophet IV; Spanish Club IV, Sec. IV;
Student Council I; Honor Society IV;
Cauldron Staff III, IV, Editor IV;
Homecoming Sponsor (Cauldron) IV.



SHIRLEY JEAN PUCKETT

"Charity is a virtue of the heart..."

—Addison

Folk Dancing Club I; Library Club,
Sec. IV; Bible Club I.



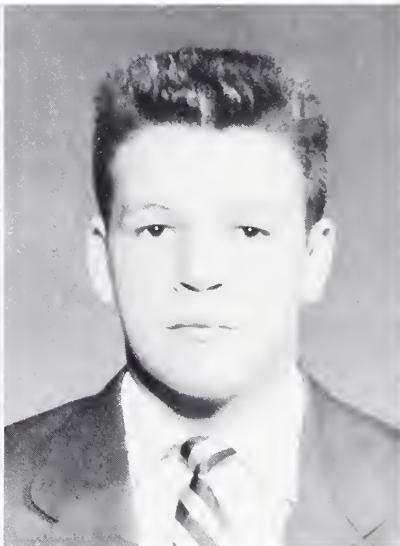
ANITA CAROLYN PUETT

"The magic of her face..."—Carew
Anchor Club II; Radio Club I; Caul-
dron Staff II, IV; Softball Team I, II,
III; Cheerleader IV; Tri-Hi-Y IV;
Honor Society IV.



CARL KENNETH ROSS

"Ready to split his sides with
laughing..."—Cervantes
Wildlife Club I, II; Bus Driver.



FREDERICK WINDSOR SCOTT

"Deeds, not words..."—Cicero
Key Club I, II; Wildlife Club I, II;
Baseball I, II, III, IV; Football II, III,
IV, Co-Captain IV; All-Conference
Football III, IV; Chorus III, IV; Varsi-
ty Club IV; Optimist Bowl IV.



MARY ISIS SEAGLE

"Friendship is a sheltering tree..."
—Coleridge
Wildlife Club I; Bible Club I; Science
Club IV.

Seniors



BENTHA EARNESTINE SELF

"A great soul will be strong to live, as well as to think..."—Emerson

Bible Club I, II, Program Chairman II; Anchor Club II, III, IV, Sec. III; Tri-Hi-Y IV; Annual Staff III, IV, Assistant Editor IV; Honor Society III, IV, Vice-Pres. IV; Marshall III; Latin Club IV; Program Chairman IV; Craft Club I.



CHRISTINE ELIZABETH SETZER

"Garmented in light from her own beauty..."—Shelley

Folk Dancing Club I; Softball I, II; F.H.A. Club II, III, IV, Sec. III; Reporter IV; Library Club IV, Pres. IV; Tri-Hi-Y Club IV, Sergeant-at-Arms IV; Senior Superlative—Neatest IV; Homecoming Sponsor (Library Club) IV.

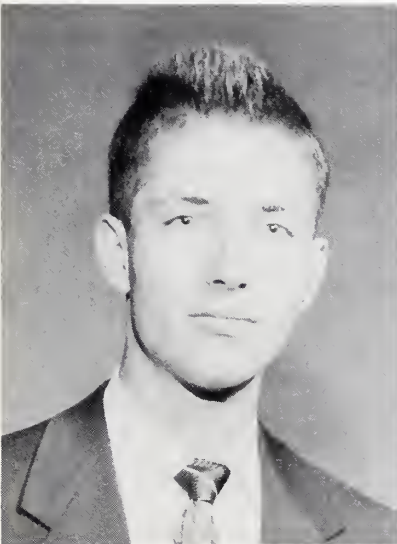


BARBARA JANE SMITH

"A form more fair, a face more sweet ne'er hath it been our lot to meet..."

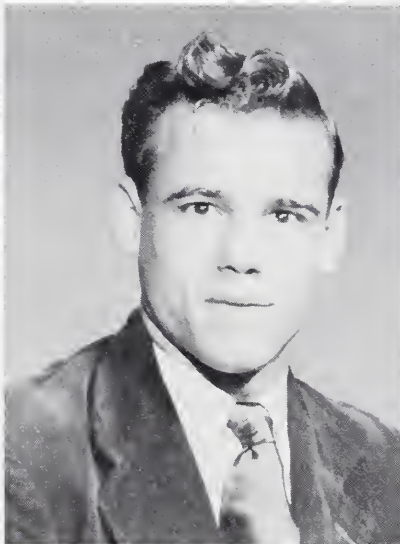
—Muller

Cauldron I; Glee Club I; Chorus II; Basketball II, III, IV; Cheerleader I, II, III, IV; Spanish Club III, IV; Tri-Hi-Y Club III, IV; Senior Superlative—Most Popular IV; Tennis, Team I, II, III; Miss Morganton High III; Homecoming Queen IV.



MORRIS CLINTON SHIRLEY, JR.

"Never idle a moment, but thrifty and thoughtful of others..."—Longfellow
Wildlife Club I, II; Key Club II, III, IV, Treas. IV; Spanish Club IV, Pres. IV; Honor Society IV; Class President IV.



DALE ROGER SMITH

"He is at the end of his actions blest, Whose end will make him greatest and best..."—Chapman

Camera Club I.



NANCY HOGAN SHEPHERD

"A merry heart doeth good like a medicine..."—Proverbs

Radio Club I; Chorus I, II; Tri-Hi-Y III, IV; Basketball Manager III; Class Secretary IV; Cauldron Staff IV, Business Manager IV; Senior Superlative—Wittiest IV; Library Club IV.

Seniors



BARBARA LINDA SMITH
"A beautiful and happy girl..."
—Whittier

Glee Club I; Softball I, II; Spanish Club II; Dramatics Club II; Tennis I, II, III; Basketball I, II, III, IV; Band II, III, IV, Treas. IV; Tri-Hi-Y II, III; Cauldron Staff IV, Art Editor IV; Senior Superlative—Most Versatile IV; Class Poet IV; Homecoming Sponsor (Key Club) IV; Essay Published in Annual Essay Anthology IV.



ANN GALLOWAY SPIER
"Those who bring sunshine to the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves..." Barrie
Anchor Club I; Treas. I; Softball I, II; Basketball I, II; F. H. A. Club II, III, IV; Song Leader IV, Radio Club I; Tri-Hi-Y IV; Annual Staff III, IV, Typist IV.



DOROTHY ETHEL STAMEY
"If a woman has long hair it is a glory to her..."—Scripture
Needle Craft Club I.



ANN ELIZABETH BEAUVEC SWINK
"Eyes glad with smiles, and brow of pearl, Shadowed by many a careless curl..."—Whittier
Warwick High I; Chorus I.



NANCY PEARL VAN DYKE
"The sweetest noise on earth, a woman's tongue; a string which hath no discord..."—Cornwall
Tri-Hi-Y III, IV; Latin Club IV; Crafts Club I; Basketball I, II, III, IV, Co-Captain IV; Senior Superlative—Most Athletic IV.



MARY ELIZA WALTON
"Precious things come in small packages..."—Unknown
Camera Club I; Anchor Club II, III, IV; Marshall III; Honor Society III, IV, Treas. IV; Annual Staff III, IV, Editor IV; Chorus IV; Quill and Scroll IV; Senior Superlative—Most Valuable IV; Homecoming Sponsor (Cat's Tale) IV.

Seniors



SHIRLEY PEARLENE WELLMAN

"Silence more musical than any song..."—Rossetti

Glee Club I; Chorus II, III, IV; Library Club IV.



ROBERT KENNETH WILLIAMS

"It is good to be honest and true..."—Lylton

Film and Camera Club I.



SYLVIA MAUREEN WILLIAMS

"Virtue was sufficient for herself for happiness..."—Plato

F.H.A. Club I, II, IV; Crafts Club I; Anchor Club II, III, IV; Library Club IV.



MARILYN VEREECE WILSON

"It is good to be zealously affected always in a good thing..."—Galatians

Folk Dancing Club I; Chorus II.



GRACE HOWARD WINCHESTER

"Fairness and softness goes far..."—Cervantes

F.H.A. I, II, III, IV, Vice-Pres. III, Pres. IV; Folk Dancing I; Class Treasurer II; Class Vice-President III; Honor Society IV; Senior Superalive—Most Likely to Succeed IV; Homecoming Sponsor (F. H. A.) IV.



DONALD RALPH WOODS

"The larger heart, the kindlier hand!..."—Ibid

Wildlife Club I; Bible Club I; Hi-Y IV.

Seniors



DAVID ALVIN YOUNT

"I never met a man I didn't like..."

—Rogers

Film Club I; Hi-Y IV.



Senior Specialties

Elaine Burleson, *Class Historian*; Howard Copenhaver, *Class Testator*; Martha Propst, *Class Prophet*; Linda Smith, *Class Poet*.

"DOUGHEAD"

GONE Bermuda

"Pot-bellied Orangutan"

DON'T FEEL
HIT!

"Hoot-owl Shift"

"Bony"

"Doc"

11 BROWS

11
HAMAN.
Did you say
"PER CREEK"
Pie?

50! 90! 90! 90! 90!

Never Seen
Such a Heavy
Polk in all my
Working Days...

A cartoon drawing of a person with a large head and a small body, wearing a simple cap and holding a large shopping bag. The bag has the text "KINGDA Super Market" written on it. The person is smiling and looking towards the viewer.

MRS. COHEN'S
Delightful! SON.

Shot out of the saddle!

90

WHAT! NO DAY?

let's go fishing

NAG'S HEAD

REEDLOVE!!

You're old enough that your wants won't hunt you!

What?!!

ough
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you!"
"What
the heck
is the mombo
p d

"Bird" did it

WAY

to —

1 penny Shirley

"Spigitt"

"Bribery Causey"

"Cow College"

numbo CRAZE!

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sulfonh Buts

Baby Boy

DRESSER

CHANGING TABLE

KITTENS

MAMA

DEC. 20, 1954



Elizabeth Peterson, *Assistant Chief Marshall*; Helen Farfour; Allan West; Bill Davis *Chief Marshall*.

Marshalls and Mascots



Sally Haney, Doug Farner, Pat Shuffler, Benny Martin, Maxine Wright, James Whisnant, Catherine Janowsky, Sam Reep.



Recalled Through Life



Not knowing what lay ahead.
We entered school with cheers.
But soon we realized, with dread,
Our studies would continue for years.

Though our lives were darkened
By thoughts of the grades we'd see.
We struggled on and harkened
To the things that were to be.

Since our hours here have dwindled—
And our past we cannot forget,
Toils and triumphs shall soon be mingled
As we strive for goals yet unmet.

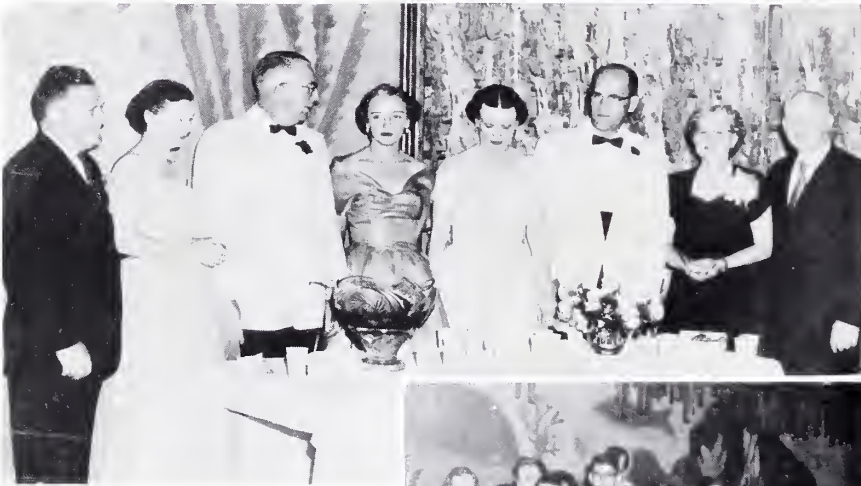
When finally we shall have to turn
Our minds to graver thoughts,
The many things we've had to learn
In school will not be lost.

Class Poet

Linda Smith



Under The Sea



Class History

Here we are! Seniors, no less! It seems just a short while ago that we were green freshmen, "The Lowest Things on Earth." Our very first year, while we were becoming adjusted to our new school life, we elected as president, Dickie Avery; vice-president, John McKee; secretary, Doug Wilson; and treasurer, Pat Miller. We presented "A Day at the Grill" at Stunt Night but didn't quite place. There were two freshmen on the varsity football team and eight in the band.

We were settling down to high school life as sophomores amidst bugs and "Friends, Romans, Countrymen." That year we chose as our president, Dickie Avery; vice-president, Martha Propst; secretary, Grace Winchester; and treasurer, Merdean Breedlove. Three sophomores were on the varsity and eight were in the band. Our stunt, "Labor Day," took second place.

Now we were upper-classmen and it was our turn to play host at the Junior-Senior. To lead us in this we selected Charlie Butler as president, Grace Winchester as vice-president, Ruth Harper as secretary, and Carolyn Erwin as treasurer. For our Junior-Senior Prom, we invited the seniors

"Under the Sea." There we danced to beautiful music under blue waves, where sea animals and mermaids cavorted. We had three members on the varsity and seven in the band.

Last, but definitely not least, comes our senior year. We have anticipated the activities of this year for a long time. To guide us successfully through them all, our president is Clinton Shirley; vice-president, Bobby Clarke; secretary, Nancy Hogan Shepherd; and treasurer, Carolyn Erwin. On the football field, our captains are Charlie Butler and Freddie Scott.

When, finally all the fun of this last year is behind us, we march up to receive our diplomas, we shall have mixed emotions. For some it will be the end of their school days; others will go on to college. But no matter what we do with our lives, we shall always remember dear old M. H. S. Here, we have learned many things and made many life-long friends. We wish to thank the faculty and Mr. Schiebout for making this last year and the preceding years enjoyable and profitable. We hope that they will remember us as we shall them.

Elaine Burleson
Class Historian

Prophecy

Name: Madam Propie
Occupation: Fortune telling
Name of business:

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Now that I've been properly introduced to you, I would like to relate a very unusual experience I had not so long ago. Business was as usual. I could tell this immediately, because the place was empty. Suddenly, I heard a knock at the door. I leaped from the couch, threw down my "Pogo" comic book, and flew to the door. There stood a man who said his name was "Put," and handed me a slip of paper with a list of names on it. He said they were a group of Seniors he had taught, and he wanted me to find out where they would be and what they would be doing 10 years from now, so he could send them Christmas cards. I told him this would be a difficult job since my specialty was palmistry, but after he gave his price, I was satisfied and asked him to sit down while I hunted my crystal ball. I finally found it at the bottom of a trunk along with my trusty, rusty wand. I began to concentrate very hard and the year of 1965 began to open up like a book, and this is what I read:

The name of the town now is Notnagrom, that is Morganton spelled backwards. This brilliant idea was suggested by Dan Barkley, well known political figure, now running for re-election as local exterminator on the Democratic ticket. Things have really changed! ! !

Famed actor Charlie Butler is growing a beard and a mustache for his next movie. "The Razor's Edge." Co-starring with him in the movie will be Jane Smith, who has just finished "Everybody Loves a Redhead."

David Yount, manager of a fast growing restaurant in Notnagrom, gives a prize each week

to a customer who can find the cheese in his cheeseburger. The prize? The customer gets to keep the cheese. Yount's car hops are Joe Benfield, Bill Anderson, Wayne Cline, and Ervin Hallyburton.

Members of the newly organized "Silent Girls Club" are Ruth Harper, Nancy Honeycutt, Glenda Cochran, Mary Lee Hatem, and Sylvia Ingle. The aim of each meeting is to find the girl who can keep silent for five minutes. They never have a winner, but no one seems to care. Nancy Hogan is the president of the club.

Libby Hahn recently published her latest book, "How to Cheat at Canasta and Get Away With It." All fan mail and Christmas cards to Miss Hahn should be addressed to the county jail.

Bobby Crew, coach of the Notnagrom Mumblepeg Team, has accepted an invitation for his team to participate in the National Championship at Jerkwater, Miss. The squad consists of James Causby, Pete Patton, Jerry McFalls, Charlie Ward, and Roland Lanibert. Coach Crew says the team is in fine shape except for a few missing fingers and toes.

Elaine Burseson, head chemist of the "You Invent It, We'll Copy It" Laboratories, is recuperating in the hospital after fire demolished the first five stories of the laboratory last week. Anita Puett, her able assistant, is still trapped on the sixth floor.

A new class has been organized at the high school at Notnagrom for interested adults. Mary Bush, nationally known English professor, teaches the class called "Learning to Think by Thinking." J. L. Hughes, Paul Hatem, and Harry Mull report they are thinking about signing up for the class.

Ruth Cagle Clontz was elected "Mother of the Year" of Notnagrom last week. Mayor Clinton Shirley presented Ruth with a golden safety pin and a book entitled "Why Can't My Brats Act Like Other Children?". Mrs. Clontz's six children attended the presentation.

Jerry Cohen left Notnagrom shortly after graduating to accept the position of buyer for "Sacs" in New York. Jerry is flying this week to Paris for a buyer's convention, where he will give his personal objections to the Dior look.

The Notnagram News, edited by Al Maxwell, interviewed Grace Winchester recently for having the distinction of being the only woman dentist in town. Grace told reporter Mary Walton, "I'm just a chip off the old tooth."

Final preparations are being made for the gigantic parade commemorating the graduation of Bobby Causby from high school. Bobby has finally made up all his time for unexcused absences. Congratulations Causby!

William Farner, photographer for the "Notnagrom News," was hurriedly snapping pictures of the fabulous dancing team of Breedlove and Self as they left the plane yesterday. Bentha and Merdean will appear all week at the "Kangaroo Club," owned by Donald Woods. Woods says his business is growing by leaps and bounds.

Marilyn Brendle, president of the Home Demonstration Club, is teaching the members, Martha Grady, Dorothy Stamey, Shirley Wellman, Nancy Pritchard, and Helen Pless, how to make a burnt meal look tasty. Her trick is adding food coloring.

Carolyn Abee has been awarded a gold cup for being the nation's only secretary who can type 120 words a minute—backwards.

Marie Keller, Maxine Powell, and Peggy Kral are now working for the Secret Service in Washington.

Pat Earley is the oboe player for the "Classical Cats" from Chicago.

Skywriter Kenneth Ross has been grounded three months by his boss, Bobby Clarke, for misspelling "Pepsi." Clarke, owner of "Whizz Jet, Inc.," didn't mind Kenny misspelling the word, but that it took four hours to erase it.

Howard Copenhaver, announcer of radio station PQQP, interviewed Christine Setzer, 1965's "Mrs. America," on his program, "Home Town

Folks Who Made Good." along with Nancy Van Dyke, Most Athletic Girl in U.S., world renowned archaeologist, Linda Smith, and concert pianist, Anne Speir, who just returned from a successful tour among the Hottentot tribes of Africa.

Oscar Edwards has been promoted to chief wrench man at the "Leakless Plumbing Co."

Harriett Elliot and Barbara Davis have concocted a pill that will prevent 99% of all cavities in the teeth of dogs and cats. Expert research scientist, Marinetta Harris, predicts this development will make the two girls millionaires.

Freddie Scott, coach of the Notnagrom High School football team has a problem. Freddie says that the suits weigh more than the boys.

Barbara Abernathy, Ann Swink, Mickey Denton, Nana Bridgers, and Shirley Puckett, members of the "Association of Secretaries," left last week for Ubangi-Shari to teach the natives shorthand in 10 easy lessons. The girls hired private eyes Kenneth Williams, Jerry McFalls, Dale Smith, and Floyd Lane to go along for protection.

Margaret Price and Mary Seagle, R.N.'s at the "Good Grief" hospital, are reported doing fine work.

Carolyn Erwin, owner of a dress shop in Notnagrom, is having a sale this month at her store. Miss Erwin specializes in dresses for tall women.

Jean Poarch, Virginia Bridges, Reba Brittain, and Marilyn Wilson left today for Henningville, S. D., to compete for the coveted "Pulitzer Prize," awarded each year to the girl showing most ability in chicken raising.

Writer Alex Baranski told news reporters his next book will be "Six and a Half Different Ways to Learn the Lances."

Eliza Boggs is noted for her mural paintings in post offices all over the U.S.

I'm stopping here because this fellow "Put" walked out just a few minutes ago mumbling something about "he'd rather read it in the annual." And he didn't even pay me! ! !

Class Will

State of North Carolina
Burke County
Town of Morganton

We, the Senior Class of Morganton High School of the aforesaid county and state, being of sound mind and realizing that our vast and valuable possessions may lead to bitter contention among those who desire to be our heirs, do make and declare this our last will and testament.

Article I

To the faculty and Mr. Schiebout, we leave our gratitude and appreciation for their guidance and sincere interest in us, for their patience in developing our talents, for preparing us for the world of opportunities that await us, and for making our days at Morganton High School pleasant as well as educational.

Article II

To the Juniors, we leave our record as a shining example, although we know no class has ever been, or ever will be, as capable as our own.

To the Sophomores, we leave the headaches of a struggling underclassman, a bottle of aspirin, and the advice to work hard and go, go, go.

To the Freshmen, we leave three years of high school, a package of safety pins for their diapers, and the hope that some day, a great day it will be, they will obtain the title of "dignified seniors."

Article III

To the school, we leave the priceless memory of the unforgettable, the one and only class of '55.

Article IV

Confidentials:

1. I, Charlie Butler, leave my popularity to Bill Davis.
2. We, Barbara Abernathy and Margaret Price, will our good grades to Betty Lanningham.
3. I, Anne Speir, leave to Leslie Phillips my ability always to appear happy and gay.

4. We, Virginia Bridges and Barbara Davis, leave our soft voices to Maxine Seitz and Shirley White.
5. I, David Yount, leave my high position as an employee in Put's store to "Monk" Singleton.
6. I, William Farnier, leave my big head to Doug, so that he may carry on in the tradition of the family.
7. I, "Howdy Doody" Lane, leave my hopped-up bicycle to Mickey Kincaid; he needs the exercise.
8. We, Mary Elizabeth Bush and Harriett Elliott, leave our quiet way and good grades to Elizabeth Moore and Adele Williams.
9. We, Merdean Breedlove and Bentha Self, leave our genuine friendship to Sally Haney and Kay Breitenbach.
10. I, Alex Baranski, leave my Southern drawl to the South; may it rise again!
11. We, Nancy Hunnicutt, Carolyn Abee, Sylvia Ingle, and Shirley Puckett, leave our friendly natures and general good attitudes to the Juniors.
12. We, Marilyn Brendle, Reba Brittain, Glenda Cochran, Helen Pless, and Nancy Pritchard, leave M. H. S. with the hopes that the underclassmen's remaining years will be as happy as ours have been.
13. I, Eliza Boggs, leave my art ability to Catherine Janowsky.
14. I, Bill Anderson, leave my title of "Most Intellectual" to whoever has the grey matter to earn it.
15. I, Nancy Van Dyke, leave my title "Mouth," to haunt Put.
16. I, Ann Swink, leave M. H. S. for married life.
17. I, Danny Barkley, leave my ability to worry "Doc" to J. C. Crew.
18. We, Paul Hatem and Joe Benfield, leave our

well-trodden route to Drexel to anyone that will have it.

19. I, Nancy Hogan, will my wit to Mary Baker.
20. I, Grace Winchester, leave my title of "Most Likely to Succeed" to the Junior most likely to succeed.
21. We, Jerry McCall, Harry Mull, Ruthven Beach, Roland Lambert, and Donald Woods, are mighty happy to be leaving!
22. We, Ruth Harper and Anita Puett, leave our "knock-out" beauty to Gayle Loftin.
23. We, Nana Bridgers, Jean Poarch, and Marie Keller, leave our quiet ways to the school; we know the teachers will appreciate this.
24. I, Martha Propst, leave the Cauldron to Elizabeth Peterson, knowing she'll take good care of it.
25. We, Sylvia Williams and Mary Seagle, leave our ability to work hard and try to do our best always to Mary Lee Hatem and Mary Louise Lane.
26. I, Linda Smith, leave my desire to pitch in and help and my ability to think of the good of all first to Judy Whisnant.
27. We, Ervin Hallyburton and Dale Smith, well—"Away we go!"
28. I, Kenneth Williams, leave my height to Joe Patton.
29. I, Clinton Shirley, leave my nickname, "Pinch-penny," to Robert Dale.
30. I, Mickey Denton, leave my Kenny to no one; he's mine.
31. I, Kenneth Ross, leave my school bus to Harold Walker.
32. I, J. L. Hughes, leave my preference for "Mercs" to Jimmy Clemmer.
33. I, Pete Patton, leave a mountain of worries for next year's Cat's Tale business manager.
34. I, Bobby Crew, leave my ability to do so many things well to Benny Martin.
35. I, Jane Smith, will my popularity and bubbling enthusiasm to Barbara Cornwell.

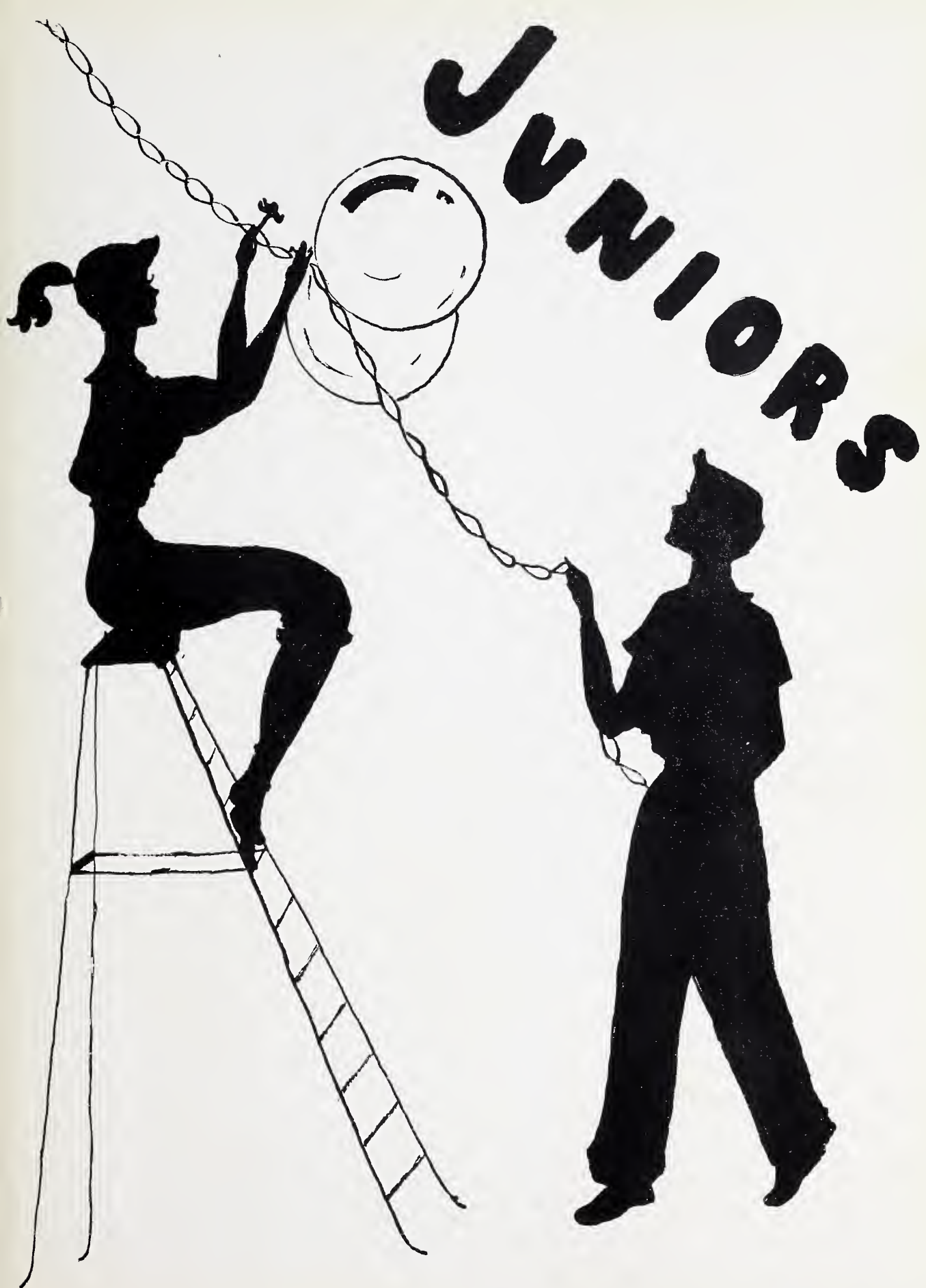
36. I, Shirley Wellman, will my choral ability to Jo Houston.
37. We, Bobby Clarke and Elaine Burleson leave—well, we leave together.
38. I, Libby Hahn, leave my big mouth to Audrey Propst.
39. I, Marinetta Harris, will my cheerleading abilities to Betsy Bailly.
40. I, Freddie Scott, leave my athletic ability to Carl Ramsey.
41. I, Oscar Edwards, leave a seat in Put's room well worn by 8:15 classes.
42. I, Al Maxwell, leave the name "Bony" to Jimmy Maxwell.
43. I, Jerry Cohen, leave The Key Club in the hand of next year's president.
44. I, Patricia Early, leave my talents to Sarah Louise Pons.
45. I, Ruth Cagle Clontz, leave my title of "The Prettiest" to the prettiest Junior girl, for she'll get it next year anyway.
46. I, James Causby, leave my "cat" like ways and ability to out dance anyone on the floor to Butch Gallager.
47. I, Christine Setzer, leave my neatness and ability to look nice always to Jackie Smith.
48. I, Carolyn Erwin, leave my nickname "Pee Wee" to the littlest Junior, whoever she is.
49. I, Bobby Causby, leave my friendliness to everyone, in hopes it'll make this old world a little better.
50. I, Mary Walton, leave as my contribution to M. H. S., the '55 Cat's Tale, hoping that it will give you many hours of pleasure now and many happy memories in the future.

In witness whereof, we, attesting this to be the Last Will and Testament of the departing Senior Class, do offer our hand and seal this, the thirty-first day of May, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fifty five.

Signed: The Senior Class



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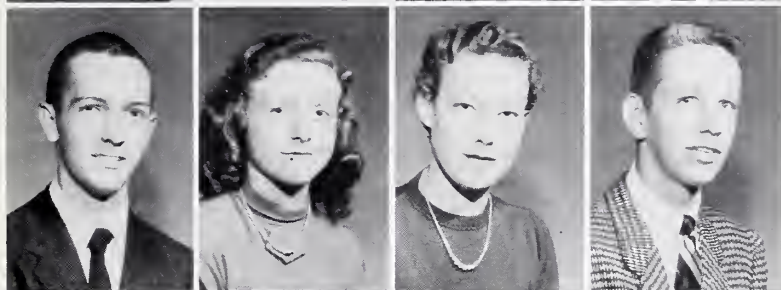
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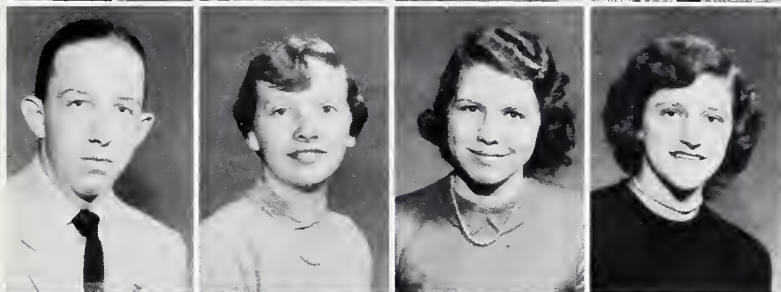
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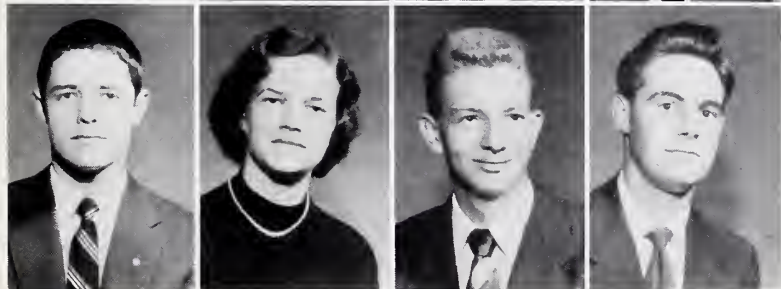
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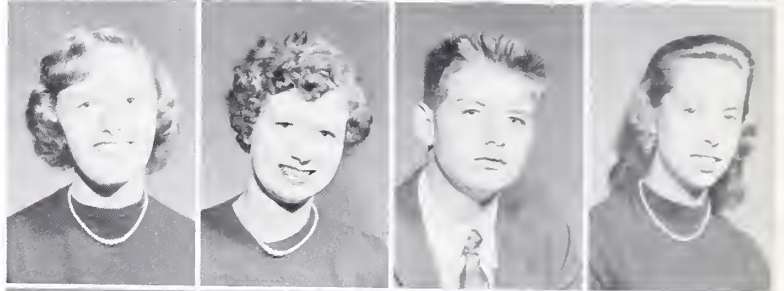
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Mary Lee Hatem



Shirley Hawkins
Catherine Janowsky
Mary Belle Kincaid
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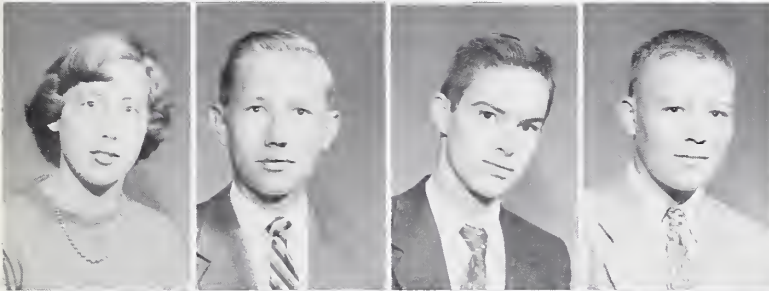
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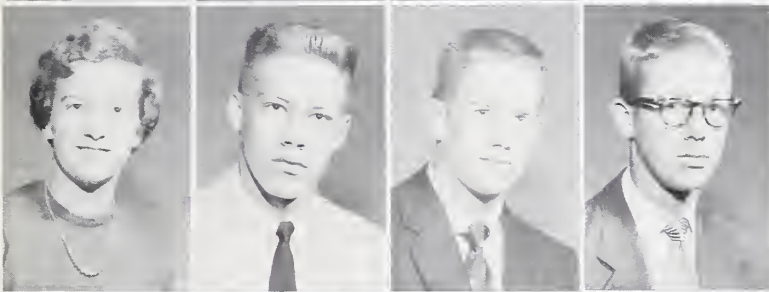
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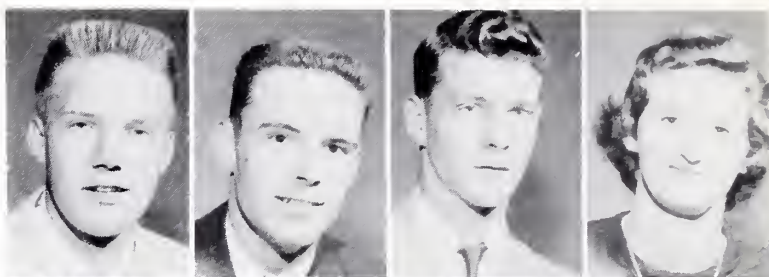
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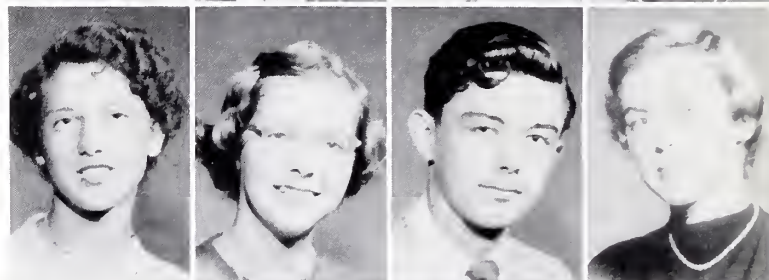
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Paula Williams



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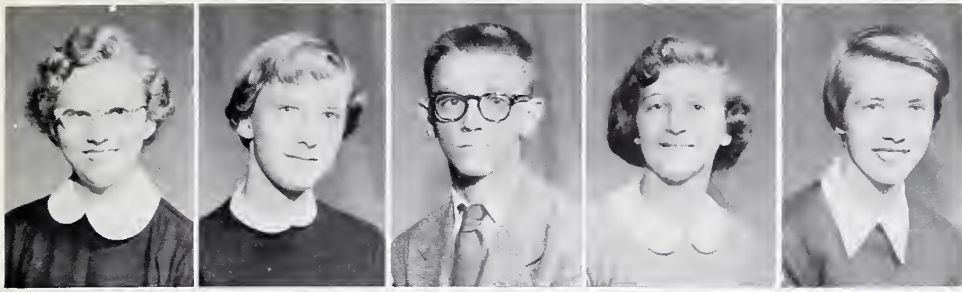
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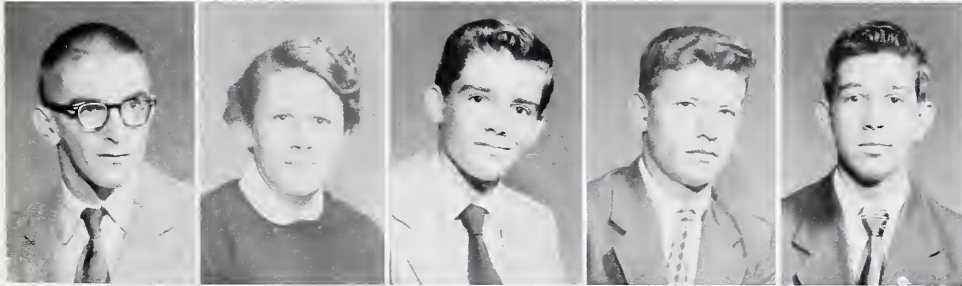
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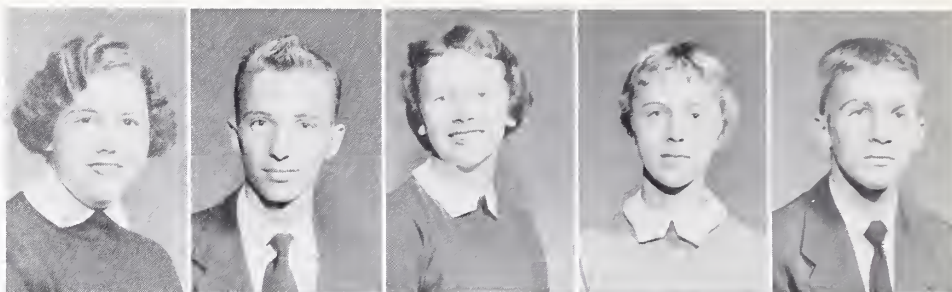
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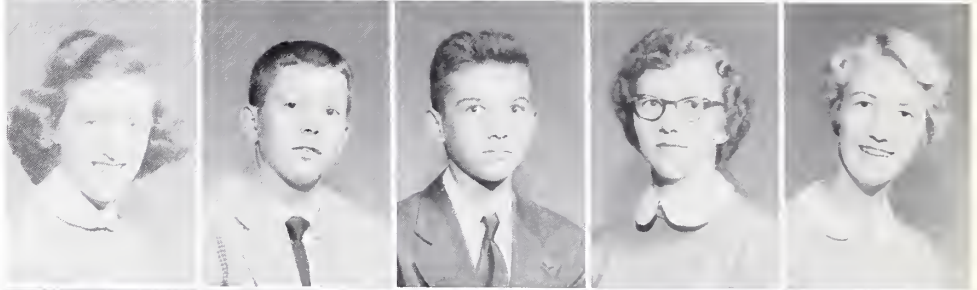
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Mary Buchanan

Louise Buff
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Rochelle Cline
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Emily M. Crabtree
Helen Crew

Kay Daughtery
John Dellinger
Bob Denton
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Jo Ann Feimster
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Frances Haring

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Marilyn Hotchkiss
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Martha Irvin
Oval Jaynes
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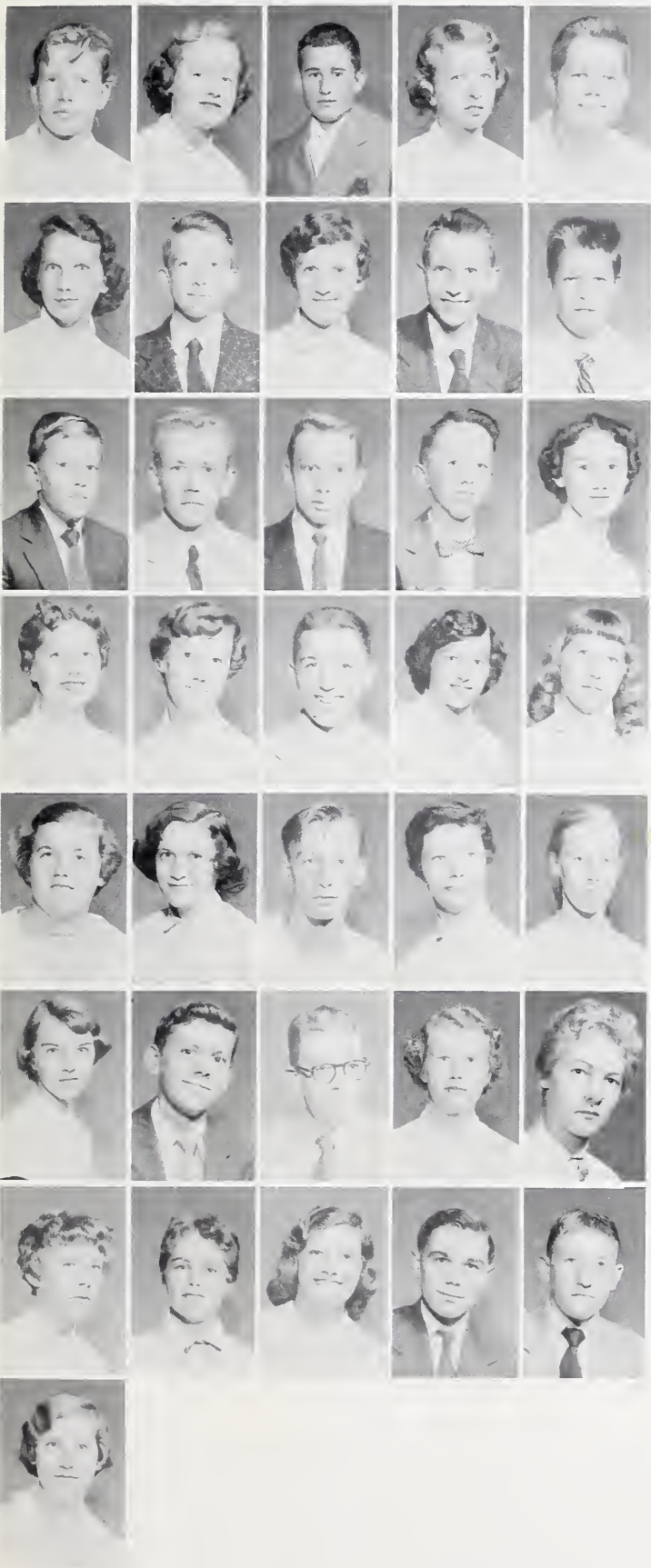
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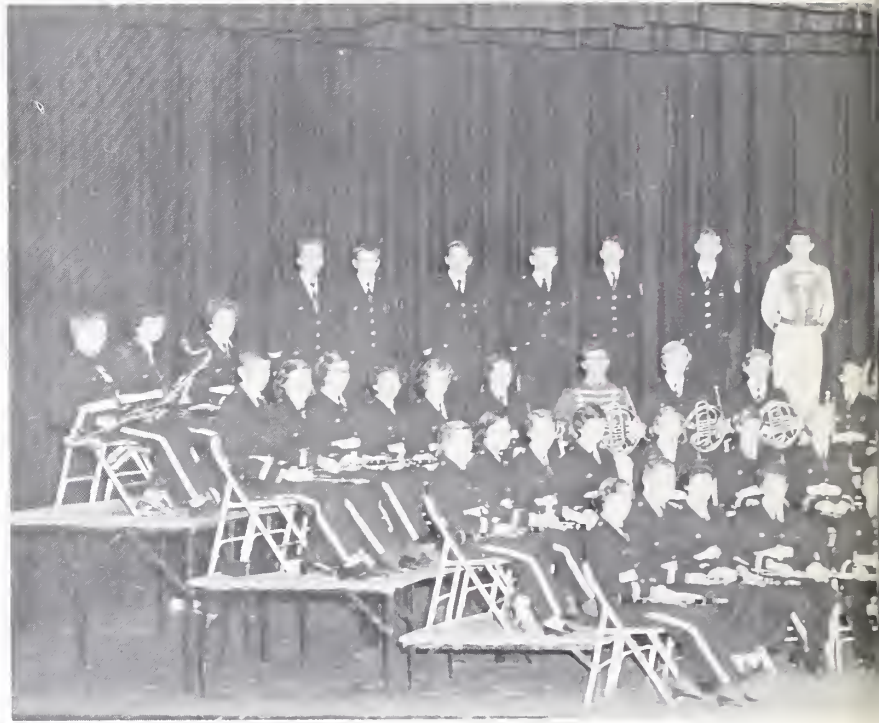


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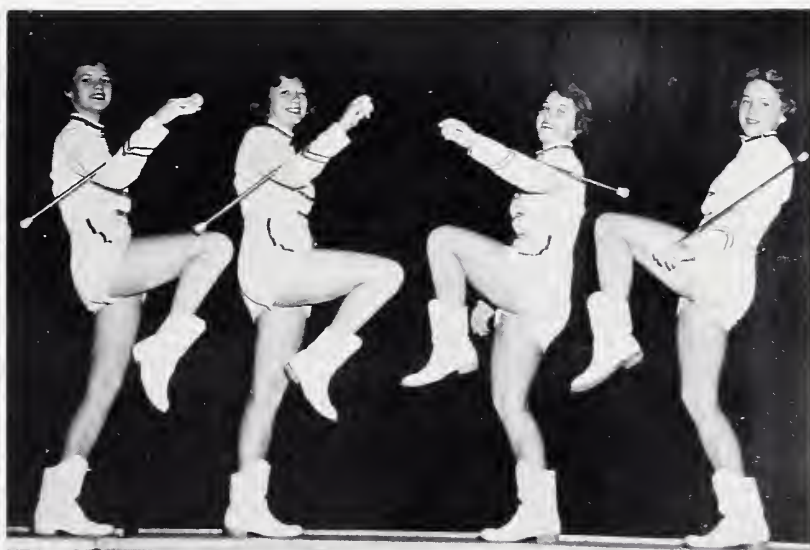


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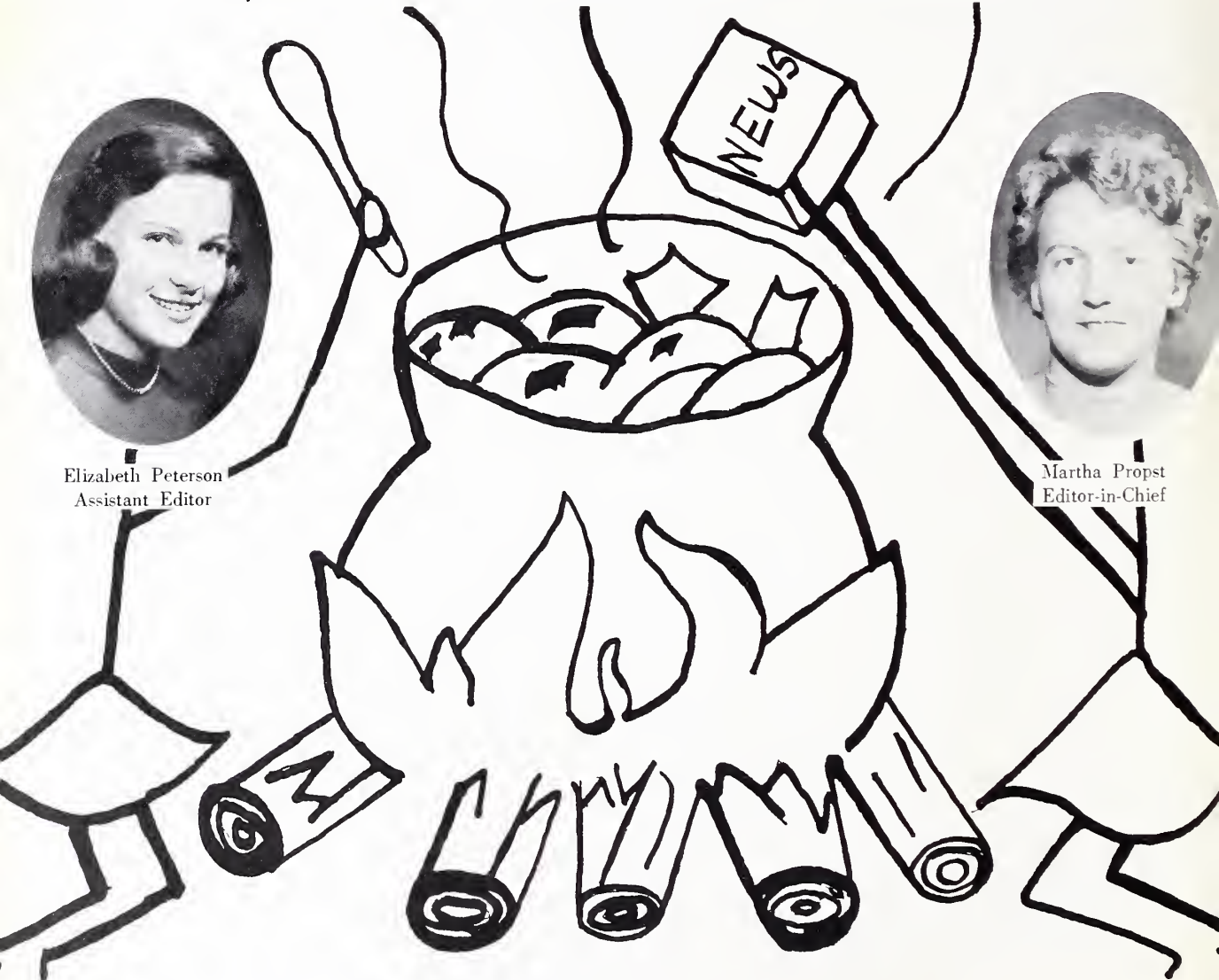
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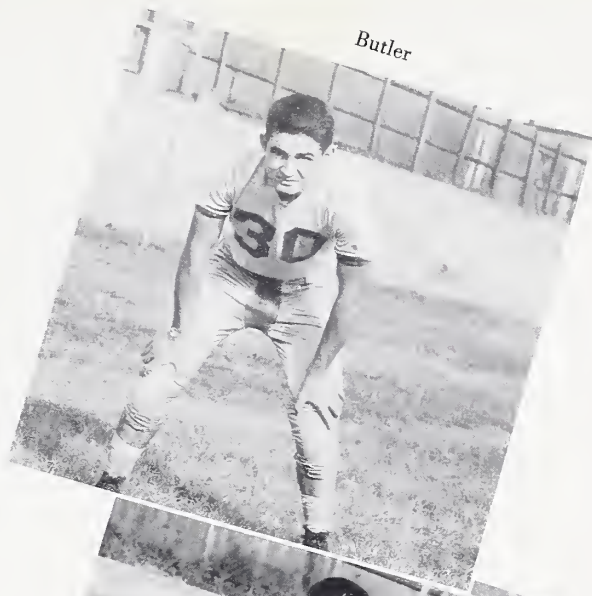
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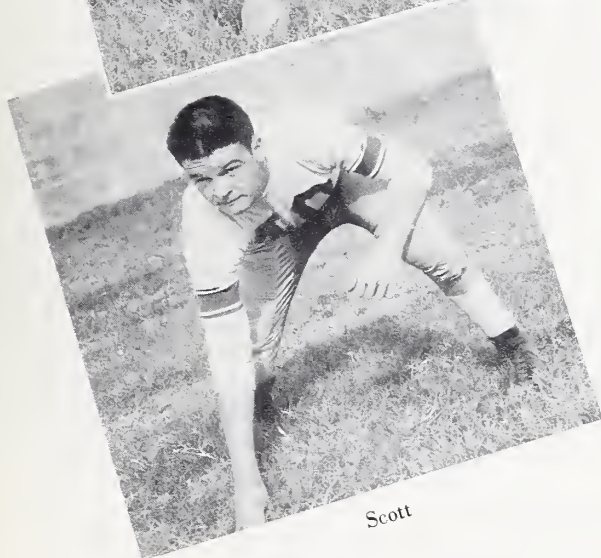
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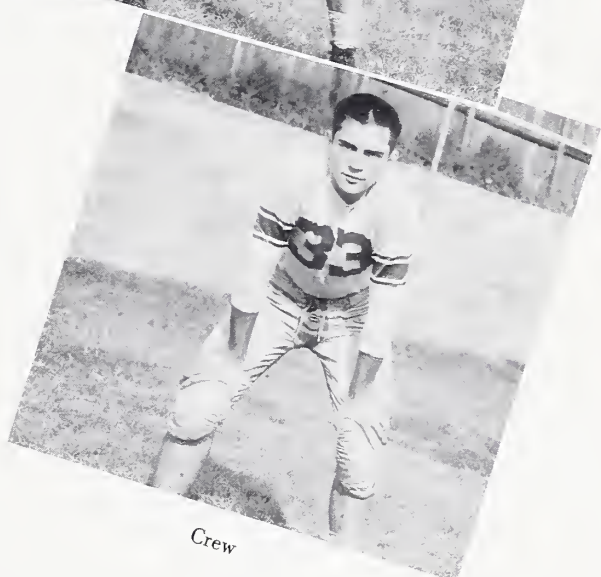
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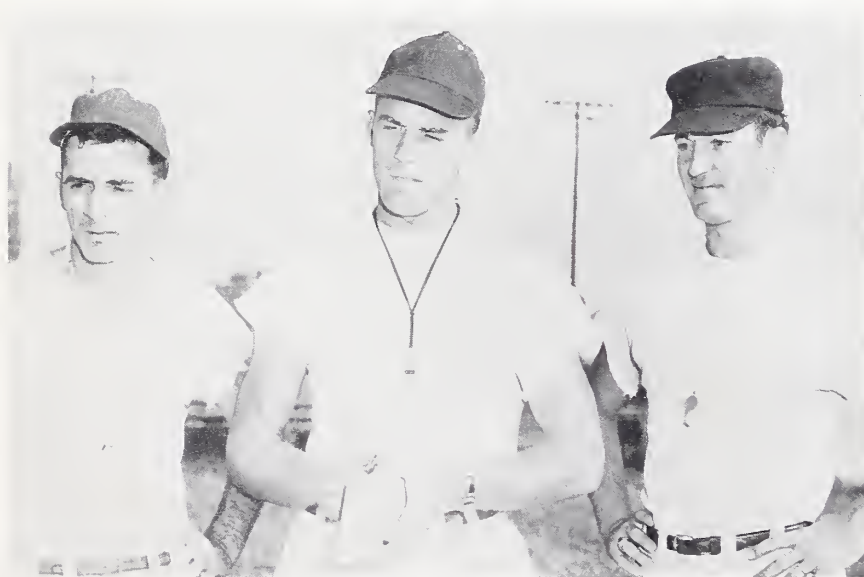
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Football Summary

The Wildcats opened their 1954 season with a 14 to 12 win over Newton. J. C. Crew scored both of Morganton's touchdowns after Bobby Crew had set up one and J. C. the other. Sam Reep kicked both of the extra points.

In the first home game of the year, the 'Cats fell to a strong Shelby team 34 to 0. Morganton's offense failed to move and didn't get past the Shelby 35 yard line. J. C. Crew and Sam Reep were outstanding on offense.

The Wildcats played their best game of the season in losing to Marion 20 to 14. Charlie Butler and Bobby Crew each scored once, while Sam Reep kicked two extra points. Butler, David Puett, and Carl Ramsey led the 'Cats on defense.

Morganton suffered its third straight defeat at the hands of Wilkes-Central 31 to 7. Bobby Crew scored the only touchdown from the four yard line after a long drive. Sam Reep kicked the extra point. Crew also proved to be the outstanding defensive player for Morganton.

Conference winner, Valdese, defeated the Wildcats by a score of 12 to 0. Morganton played a superb defensive game, holding Valdese scoreless the first half. James Whisnant, Bobby Clarke, and Fred Scott led the team for defense.

Hickory came from behind 13 to 0 to win 23 to 13. Morganton scored two touchdowns in the first quarter on runs by J. C. and Bobby Crew. Sam Reep kicked one extra point. Bobby Clarke and Charlie Butler were the outstanding players for Morganton.

The Wildcats won their second game of the year with a 19 to 0 win over Taylorsville. Bobby Crew scored all of Morganton's touchdowns on runs of 75, 40, and 20 yards. Freddie Scott kicked one extra point. The team played well with no one player being outstanding.

A powerhouse Belmont team defeated the Wildcats 20 to 6. J. C. Crew scored the team's only touchdown in the last quarter on a 15 yard pass from brother Bobby. After the season was over it was learned that Belmont had used an ineligible player and Morganton was given the win on a forfeit.

In the traditional clash with Lenior the Wildcats were defeated 16 to 7. Morganton scored on a 20 yard pass from Bobby Crew to Sam Reep in the first quarter. Reep also kicked the extra point. Outstanding on defense were Fred Scott, James Whisnant and J. C. Crew.

Morganton closed its season with a 21 to 6 win over non-conference foe Granite Falls. Wayne Brittain, Bobby Crew and J. C. Crew each scored once for the winners. Sam Reep kicked all three extra points. James Whisnant and Fred Scott led the 'Cats on defense.





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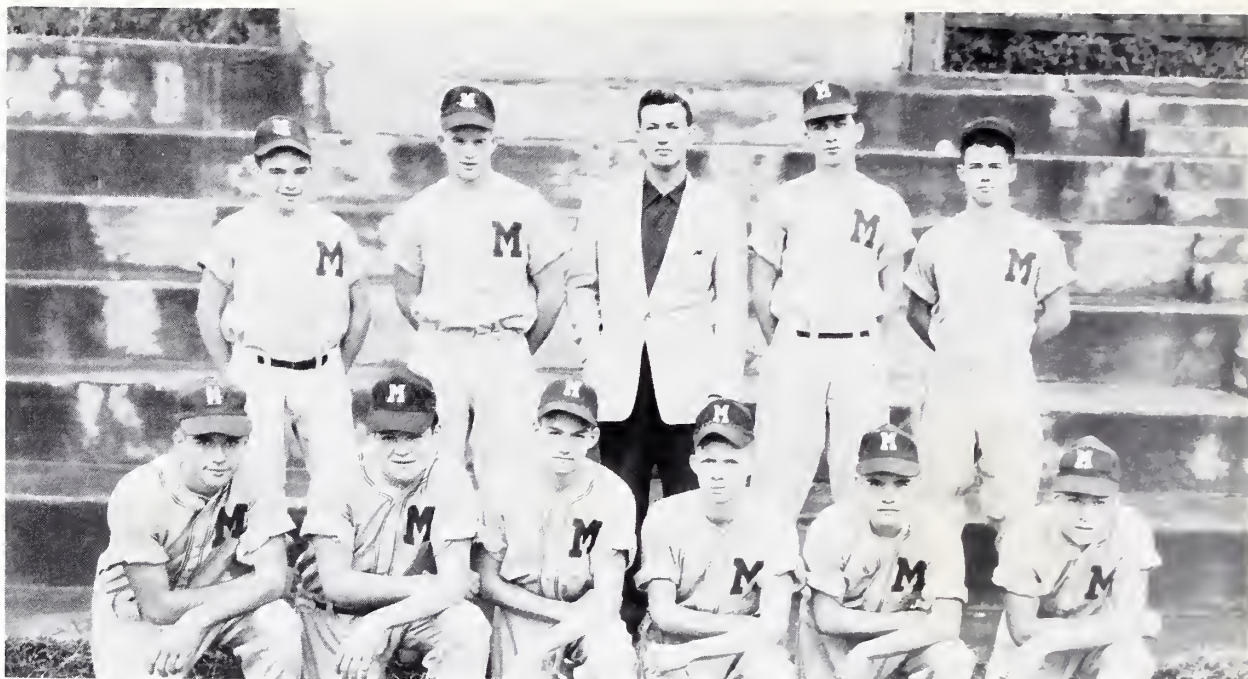
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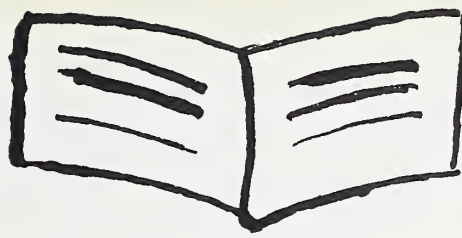
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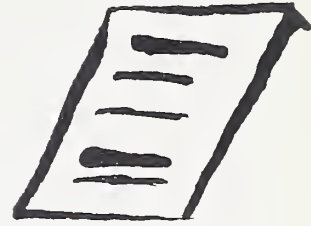


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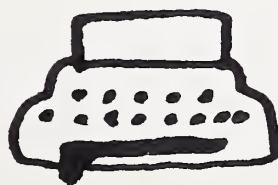
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